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Brenden Dougherty focuses his practice on insurance coverage matters on behalf of carriers. He regularly advises insurance companies on policy coverage issues, policy coverage disputes, and bad faith claims. Brenden has experience with a wide array of commercial insurance policies, including Property & Casualty, D&O, EPL, Fiduciary, Professional, Cyber, Umbrella/Excess, and Commercial Auto. He regularly represents his clients in both trial and appellate courts. Additionally, Brenden has experience defending and litigating cases for transportation and logistics companies.

Notable Work

Commercial Motor Vehicle Litigation Defense: Representation of a major transportation corporation and commercial motor vehicle driver in a motor vehicle accident personal injury lawsuit resulting in a successful disposition on summary judgement.

Bad Faith Failure to Pay Insurance Coverage Litigation Defense: Representation of a major commercial property and casualty insurance carrier in a bad faith failure to pay lawsuit pertaining to first party coverage for the fire loss of a commercial property resulting in the full dismissal of the lawsuit.

Breach of Contract Insurance Coverage Litigation Defense: Representation of a major commercial property and casualty insurance carrier in a breach of contract and declaratory judgment lawsuit in North Carolina pertaining to business interruption losses arising out of the COVID-19 pandemic resulting in the dismissal of the lawsuit.

Declaratory Judgment & Breach of Contract Insurance Coverage Litigation Defense: Representation of a major commercial property and casualty insurance carrier in a declaratory judgment and breach of contract lawsuit in Pennsylvania pertaining to business

Areas of Experience

Litigation
Insurance Litigation
Product Liability and Mass Torts

Education

J.D., William & Mary Law School, 2013
B.A., Boston College, 2010, summa cum laude

Admissions

Bars

New York
Georgia

Courts

Supreme Court of Georgia
Georgia Court of Appeals
U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia
U.S. District Court, Middle District of Georgia
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Georgia

Related Content

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interruption losses arising out of the COVID-19 pandemic, resulting in dismissal of the lawsuit on summary judgment.

Related Professional Experience

- Fulton County District Attorney's Office, Atlanta, Georgia, Assistant District Attorney, 2016-2018
- Hall County Solicitor-General's Office, Gainesville, Georgia, Senior Assistant Solicitor-General, 2014-2016
- DeKalb County District Attorney's Office, Decatur, Georgia, Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Special Unit, Apprentice, 2013-2014

Affiliations

- New York State Bar Association, Member
- New York City Bar Association, Insurance Law Committee Member, 2024
- Georgia Defense Lawyers Association, Member
- American Bar Association, Member
- Stonewall Bar Association, Member

Honors and Distinctions

- *Best Lawyers*, 2025, Listed in Georgia for Insurance Law; 2021-2024, Listed in Georgia for Appellate Practice, Transportation Law, and Insurance Law as "One to Watch"